IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE.

Application of: J. VOGEL Confirmation No.: 6000

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MICROPARTICLES FOR TISSUE BULKING

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for filing a response to the Office Action dated February 27, 2008 be extended for a period of three (3) months from May 27, 2008 to and including August 27, 2008. This Petition is filed solely to keep the above-referenced patent application pending for purposes of a priority claim by the new Continuation application filed on August 22, 2008, entitled "Injectable and Swellable Microspheres for Tissue Bulking" (Attorney Ref. No. 9676-339-999).

The estimated fee for this extension is \$525.00, which reflects Applicant's Small Entity status, will be paid via EFS-web. Please charge the required fees to Deposit Account 50-3013. Also, please charge any fees underpaid or credit any fees overpaid to the same Deposit Account.

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